

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend the specification as follows:

Delete the paragraph on page 2, between lines 2-5 of the specification.

Replace the paragraph on page 6, between lines 16-19 of the specification with the following:

The coupling device 35 is also capable of receiving a modulated signal S5 generated by the contactless chip 4. The received signal S5 carries chip data D4. It is forwarded to the demodulation unit 36 that is responsible for recovering the chip data D4. The recovered chip data D3-D4 are forwarded to the central microprocessor unit 31.